BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 94-759-C - ORDER NO. 95-718/ MARCH 22, 1995

IN RE: Application of GTE South, Inc. for a) ORDER Waiver and Authority to Amortize Costs) GRANTING Associated With the Reacquisition of) REQUEST Long-Term Debt.

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the March 15, 1995 request of GTE South, Inc. (GTE or the Company) to withdraw its Application for a waiver and authority to amortize costs associated with the reacquisition of long-term debt.

On or about December 14, 1994, GTE filed an Application with the Commission which, if granted, would permit authorization on an intrastate basis of unamortized costs associated with reacquired debt either over the life of the replacement issues or over the remaining life of reacquired debt issues. Subsequently, GTE filed a letter requesting permission to withdraw its Application. The letter stated that after discussions with Commission Staff, the Company had made the determination that the filing should be withdrawn. The Commission has examined this matter and believes that the relief requested by GTE should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. GTE South, Inc. shall be allowed to withdraw its

 Application for a waiver and authority to amortize costs associated with the reacquisition of long-term debt.
- 2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Rudolf Mittell

ATTEST:

Executive Director

(SEAL)